



MEDIA RESPONSE

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1. If voluntary termination of pregnancy is still a prescribed minimum benefit (PMB) like the attached 2013 document from your website states?

Voluntary Termination of Pregnancy is a Prescribed Minimum Benefit diagnosis under the [Diagnostic Treatment Pair Code 296M](#) with Treatment components specified as Induced abortion, Medical and Surgical Management.

The 2013 document has been updated in 2022 on the web.

2. If this still is a PMB does that mean that all medical aid providers in SA will cover a patient in the event they choose to end their pregnancy?

Yes, all medical schemes must fund the procedure, subject to the provisions of the TOP Act and the use of the medical scheme's clinical protocols, medicines formulary as well as appointed Designated Service Providers (DSPs) such as doctors and hospitals.

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